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Just got off the phone with Mark Reynolds. They are picking up about 200 GPM from inflow on longwall panel #1. The water is flooding the CM section and the pumps are losing ground because of the 3 inch boreholes connecting the #3 and #4 Mines through the inter-burden.

The Permittee wants to run six inch pipe out the 4 Mine portal entries down the access road into the #3 Mine where they will reconnect the pump system into the line coming up the right fork. They will utilize the same UPDES outfall in Bear Creek.

Since the CM section is flooding, I told them to proceed with the installation of the pump line, to be sure to keep the new pump line on the access road. They will be running the discharge through several sumps underground but I told them to pull samples if the water is turbid.

I will be up there first thing tomorrow.